



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: April 29, 2014

To: Honorable Kevin Reich, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Subject: **Set a Public Hearing for Minneapolis NPDES MS4 Stormwater Management Program and Annual Report**

Recommendation: Set a Public Hearing for June 17, 2014 to receive public comments regarding the Stormwater Management Program. This process is a requirement of the City of Minneapolis' National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) and State Disposal System (SDS) Permit # MN0061018.

Previous Directives: June 18, 2013 – Received public comments and adopted the previous year's annual report

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Steven A. Kotke, P. E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works

Presenters: Lois Eberhart, Water Resources Administrator, Surface Water & Sewers

Reviews

Permanent Review Committee (PRC):	Not applicable
Civil Rights Affirmative Action Plan	Not applicable
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Not applicable

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- ☒ No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- ☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- ☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- ☐ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- ☐ Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- ☐ Business Plan: ☒ Action is within the plan. ☐ Action requires a change to plan.
- ☐ Other financial impact (Explain):
- ☐ Request provided to department's Finance Dept. contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification: Memo announcing opportunity for the general public to provide comments regarding the Stormwater Management Program is being sent to all neighborhood organizations, other interested parties (see Attachment).

City Goals: Great Places: Natural and built spaces work together and our environment is protected
Comprehensive Plan: Not Applicable
Zoning Code: Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information:

History

In 1990, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued regulations that required stormwater runoff from municipalities with populations greater than 100,000 to be permitted under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Program. This program is also called Phase 1 of the Federal stormwater requirements. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA), under a delegation agreement with the EPA, issued NPDES and State Disposal System (SDS) Stormwater Runoff Permit # MN0061018 (Permit) to the City of Minneapolis (City) and the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board (MPRB), as co-permittees, on December 1, 2000 and re-issued the Permit on January 21, 2011. The Permit requires the implementation of stormwater management activities that are designed to mitigate the pollution effects of urbanization on stormwater runoff.

Requirements for Annual Reporting, Public Comment, and Council Action

The Permit requires that the permittees prepare and submit an Annual Report of activities for the previous year. The Permit also requires that opportunities be made for the general public to provide comments regarding the Stormwater Management Program. The comments must be solicited and received prior to the Annual Report submittal to the MPCA. The cutoff date for comments by the general public is Noon on Monday, June 23, 2014. The Annual Report will then be finalized and submitted to the MPCA on June 30.

A notice to the parties listed on the Attachment will be sent on May 23, indicating that the City's Stormwater Management Program is available for viewing on the following City website:

http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/publicworks/stormwater/stormwater_npdesannualreportdocuments

A summary of the public's input, and the City's response to those comments, are also required to be included in the final Annual Report. The City Council's formal resolution of adoption must also be submitted to the MPCA along with the final Annual Report.

Att.: List of Recipients of Annual Report for Review and Comment

Cc: Debra Pilger, Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board
Corey Conover, Office of the City Attorney

Organization	Email address	Contact Person	Address
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Blue Water Association	sheila62sdmn@yahoo.com	Sheila Cracraft-Fehler	4116 32nd Av S, Mpls, MN 55406
Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee	darrellgerber@earthlink.net	Darrell Gerber	c/o City of Minneapolis Sustainability Office
Clean Water Action	mzellar@cleanwater.org	Marie Zellar	308 Hennepin Ave E, Mpls, MN 55414
Friends of the Mississippi River	wclark@fmr.org	Whitney Clark	360 N Robert St, St. Paul, MN 55101
Hennepin County Environmental Dept.	carl.michaud@co.hennepin.mn.us	Carl Michaud	701 Fourth Ave S Suite 700, Mpls, MN 55415
Metropolitan Council Environmental Services	bill.moeller@metc.state.mn.us	Bill Moeller	3565 Kennebec Dr, Eagan, MN 55122
(all) Minneapolis Neighborhood Organizations	Bob.Cooper@ci.minneapolis.mn.us	c/o Bob Cooper, CPED	
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MN Center for Environmental Advocacy	ksigford@mncenter.org	Kris Sigford	26 E Exchange St, # 206, St. Paul, MN 55101
MN Dept of Agriculture, Pesticide Mgmt	ron.struss@state.mn.us	Ron Struss	625 Robert St N, St. Paul, MN 55155
MN Dept of Natural Resources, Water Division	steve.hirsch@state.mn.us	Steve Hirsch	500 Lafayette Rd, Box 32, St. Paul, MN 55155
MN Dept of Transportation, Water Resources	beth.neuendorf@dot.state.mn.us	Beth Neuendorf	Waters Edge, 1500 W Cty Road B-2, Roseville, MN 55113
MN Environmental Partnership	stevemorse@mepartnership.org	Steve Morse	2356 University Av W, #244, St. Paul, MN 55114
Mississippi River Revival	solomonsimon@hotmail.com	Sol Simon	51 E 4 th St, Suite 305, Winona, MN 55987
Mississippi Water Management Organization	dsnyder@mwmo.org	Doug Snyder	2522 Marshall Street NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418
St. Paul, City of	anne.weber@ci.stpaul.mn.us	Anne Weber, Sewer Utility	25 W 4th St, 700 City Hall, Saint Paul, MN 55102
Shingle Creek Watershed Mgmt. Commission.	judie@jass.biz	Judie Anderson	3235 Fernbrook Lane, Plymouth, MN 55447

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